

## DIOCESE OF DUNKELD YOUTH SERVICE (DDYS)

is promoting a day of reflection for youth between the ages of 14 – 25. It will be on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June. I presume all day. This will be held at Dunblane which is reachable for us. The youth from Perth and Dundee will be coming down by bus. Anyone interested please let me know immediately and the parish will do all it can to arrange transport. See Fr. Mike

**A poster read: "God is dead" - Nietzsche .....**

**... The graffiti underneath read: "Nietzsche is dead" - God.**

### FLOWERS



Yes, people are handing in flowers unexpectedly, generally the day before a feast day, by which time flowers are not only ordered but have been already arranged. It is wonderful if people would like to donate flowers, but in order for them to be used I need to know what is coming and that they will be here in time to be arranged.



### CENTENARY MEETING

On 4<sup>th</sup> August 2013 St. John Vianney's celebrates the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the FOUNDATION OF THE PARISH . At the last Parish Pastoral Council it was decided that the members of the PPC of St. John Vianney's should meet as a temporary committee to begin to discuss this great event and how it should be marked and celebrated in the parish. They will then present suggestions to the PPC for further reflection and possible action.

**For this reason a meeting has been called for this Thursday at 7pm in St. John Vianney's hall.**



### Inter Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2012

The date of the inter Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes is confirmed as the **13th to the 20th of October 2012.**

The tour will be again by coach and include one night in Nevers. The approximate cost of this tour is £610 per person including insurance. Single room supplement will be extra.

**The deposits (£70) have to be in by Sunday the 24th of June 2011.**

All details can be found in the handout or by contacting George McLaughlin in the first instance. Contact details are as follows:

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Newsletter for the Parishes of

# St. Bernadette's & St. John Vianney's

Diocese of Dunkeld (Scottish Charity No. SC001810)

**15th May 2011, Fourth Sunday of Easter**

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**St. Bernadette's**

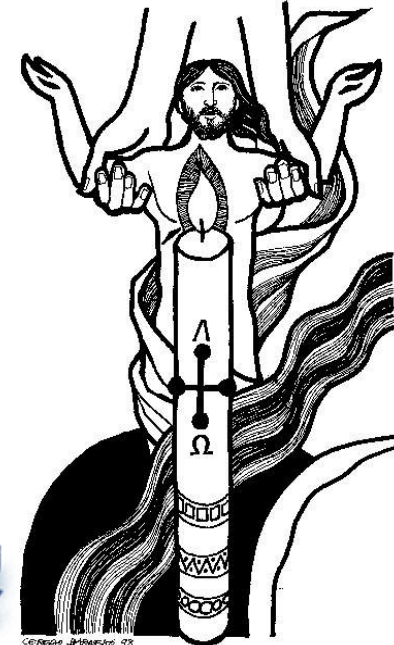
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# Welcome



**Are you visiting our Parish or have just moved into the area? Please feel very welcome. Introduce yourself to the Parish Priest or welcomers at the back of the church. There are no strangers here just new friends you just haven't yet met.**

### Parish Finance Collections



St. Bernadette's 8th May 2011	£849.28
St. John Vianney's 8th May 2011	£410.30



**Please Remember in Your Prayers those who are sick.....**

Jean McCann, Dan Tierney, Josie Nicholl, Hugh Mangan, Lawrence Allan, Mary Wilkie, Vera Kasiewicz, Mary Dryland, Jackie Smith, Mary McGeehan, Mary Elliot, Jackie Davies, Hilda Borkowski, Betty Whitton, Alec Paterson, Sarah Lownie, Christie Scott, Sandy Taylor, Jean Quinn, Brendan Murphy, Violet Lindsey, Alma White, Georgina Fraser, Veronica Day, Mrs. Roy, Lidia Kochanek, Henry Lorimar, Catherine Miller, and all those in the various nursing homes.

**Remember those who have recently died.....**

John Gillespie.. and Michael Stolarek .

**and those whose anniversaries of their death occur at this time....**

Henry Lorimar, Helen & Eddie Kennedy, Bernard McKeon and Sarah Masterson.

Websites: [www.catholic-church.org/stbernadettes](http://www.catholic-church.org/stbernadettes)  
& [www.catholic-church.org/stjohnvianneys](http://www.catholic-church.org/stjohnvianneys) or Google us !!!

## MASS TIMES, DIARY AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

<b>Sunday Morning Masses : St. John Vianney's, 9.30am &amp; St. Bernadette's, 11.30am</b>		<b>Sunday Evening Mass : St. John Vianney's, 6.15pm</b>	
<b>Sunday 15th May</b>	<b>Mass times as normal. Fourth Sunday of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations</b>		
<b>Mon 16th May</b>	<b>9.30am - Mass, St. John Vianney's. 6.00pm - First Confessions, St John Vianney's, Alva</b>		
<b>Tues 17th May</b>	<b>No Masses in parish 7.00pm - Abercrombie School, Meeting of All Parent School Councils</b>		
<b>Wed 18th May</b>	<b>9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's</b>		
<b>Thurs 19th May</b>	<b>9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's. 7.00pm - St. John Vianney's 100th Anniversary Meeting Alva</b>		
<b>Friday 20th May</b>	<b>9.30am - Mass, St. John Vianney's</b>		
<b>Sat 22nd May</b>	<b>9.30am - Mass and Confessions, St. Bernadette's</b>		
<b>Sunday 23rd May</b>	<b>Mass times as normal. Fifth Sunday of Easter</b>		
27th May	School Kids residential, 3 days - Highlands		
Sun 29th May	Mission Appeal by The Holy Ghost Fathers & Special Collection		
4th June	Wedding St. John Vianney's		
9th June	No mass (morning Office + communion) School Kids visit Scottish Parliament		7.00pm - PPC
10th June	School Sports day		
13/14th June	Pitlochry. Liturgy Course for all priests		
16th June	7.00pm - Education Mass, Cathedral, Dundee		
18th June	9.30am - St. Bernadette's Confirmation of 2 youths.		
19th June	First Communions, St. Bernadette's		
21st June	7-9pm Diocesan Offices, Disclosure Meeting		
24th June	Safari Park with School Kids		
26th June	St. Clements, Dundee, Corpus Christi celebration and procession		

### REGULAR MEETINGS

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:** Meet weekly in St. Bernadette's, at 10.30am before Sunday mass and at St. John Vianney's, on the last Sunday of each month after the Sunday 9.30 morning mass.

**U.C.M.:** Meets every Wednesday at 2.00pm in St. John Vianney's, Alva.

**KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA:** Meet in the Parish Hall at St. Mungo's Alloa on the 1st Wednesday of each month

## 48th WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



Pope Paul VI instituted the World Day of Prayer for Vocations (the 4th Sunday of Easter) on the 11th April 1964 by saying; "O Jesus, divine Shepherd of the spirit, you have called the Apostles in order to make them fishermen of men, you still attract to you burning spirits and generous young people, in order to render them your followers and ministers to us" (*Pope Paul VI launching the 1st World Day of Prayer for Vocations*)

This year's theme is: **"PROPOSING VOCATIONS IN THE LOCAL CHURCH"**

Way back in February Pope Benedict released his reflection for this World Day of Prayer for Vocations. To quote a few of his thoughts:

"Every Christian community, every member of the church needs consciously to feel responsibility for promoting vocations," especially in an era when God's voice "seems to be drowned out by 'other voices' and his invitation to follow him by the gift of one's own life may seem too difficult,"

"Those who experience a clear call to priestly or consecrated life need encouragement, support and the possibility of feeling "the warmth of the whole community as they respond 'yes' to God and the church,"

The local church needs to become "more sensitive and attentive" to helping children and young people grow in their relationship with Christ through prayer and the sacraments, become more familiar with sacred Scriptures, be generous and loving toward others, and "understand that entering into God's will does not crush or destroy a person, but instead leads to the discovery of the deepest truth about ourselves" he said.

Pope Benedict also called attention for the greater distribution of priests throughout the world.

Some global facts:

18% of priests who work in the USA were not born there.

About 300 foreign priests arrive each year in the USA to supplement American priests.

A closer look at the priests engaged in direct parish work in our Diocese reflects this trend to have more foreign priests contributing to the life of the Diocese.

### "STRIVE TO BE WORTHY"

A NEW DOCUMENT HAS BEEN PUBLISHED BY THE Scottish Catholic Education Service to highlight how some of the Pope's messages for Catholic education, delivered during his visit in September, can be addressed by families, schools and parishes. It reminds us all of the Holy Father's words "...many men and women have laboured over many centuries to hand down the faith to you. Strive to be worthy of this great tradition."

The document can be download from SCES website: [www.sces.uk.com](http://www.sces.uk.com)